



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6209

LCO No. 2002

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
REP. PERONE, 137th Dist.

**AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR ENGAGING A POLICE
OFFICER IN A PURSUIT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 That subsection (b) of section 14-223 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to increase from a class A misdemeanor to a class D felony
- 3 the penalty for an operator of a motor vehicle who, when signaled to
- 4 stop by an officer in a police vehicle using an audible signal device or
- 5 flashing or revolving lights, increases the speed of the motor vehicle in
- 6 an attempt to escape or elude such police officer.

Statement of Purpose:

To better ensure the safety of police officers and the general public by
increasing the penalty for a driver who speeds up to escape or elude
pursuit by a police officer.